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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir/Madam:

The Examiner has explained some reasons that claims 1-20 are allowable over the prior art in the section of the Notice of Allowability entitled "Allowable Subject Matter." The Notice of Allowability states that "Claims 2-16 are allowed by the virtue of dependency on the allowed claim 1." (Notice of Allowability – page 2). The Notice of Allowability also states that "Claims 18-20 are allowed by the virtue of dependency on the allowed claim 17." (Notice of Allowability – page 2). Applicant respectfully submits that claims 2-16 and 18-20 are not only allowable based on their dependency to claims 1 and 17, respectively, but are allowable based on features of these claims in combination with features of independent claims 1 and 17, respectively.

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